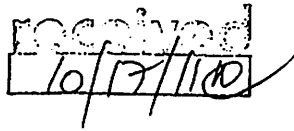


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Dear Mr. Piers:

This acknowledges receipt of your correspondence dated September 26, 2011, on behalf of the American Immigration Council and your FOIA appeal.

The matter has been assigned to the FOIA Appeals, Policy & Litigation Branch for review and preparation of a response. Although we make every effort to promptly respond, other agency input may delay our response.

Your inquiry has been assigned to Andrew Langreich. If it becomes necessary to contact us regarding this matter, you may call him/her on (202) 325-0089 or write to us at U.S. Customs and Border Protection, OT/Regulations & Rulings, FOIA Appeals, Policy & Litigation Branch, 799 9th Street, NW – 5th Floor, Washington, DC 20229-1179. In any future correspondence, please refer to the file number in the upper right corner of this letter.

Any questions regarding substantive legal issues involved in your inquiry may be raised with the person to whom it is assigned. All questions regarding the priority or status of the processing should be raised with the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Shari Suzuki, Chief
FOIA Appeals, Policy & Litigation Branch